

REFERENCE TITLE: state telecommunications contract; exemption

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Representative Barnes

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-712, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF ADMINISTRATION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 41-712, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 41-712. Telecommunications program office; state contractor;
5 cost of operation; employees; report; exemption

6 A. The director shall establish a telecommunications program office
7 within the department to enter into a primary contract with a corporation
8 authorized to do business in this state for the contractor to provide for the
9 installation and maintenance of telecommunication systems and to act as the
10 state's agent for telecommunication carrier services to the offices,
11 departments and agencies of this state. Each office, department and agency
12 of this state shall contract with the primary contractor through the
13 telecommunications program office and make payment to the primary contractor
14 for its telecommunications needs. The department shall submit for review by
15 the joint legislative budget committee its initial contractor and carrier
16 cost rate structure by agency and fund type and shall submit a request for
17 review to the joint legislative budget committee for each subsequent rate
18 structure modification.

19 B. With the approval of the director, the telecommunications program
20 office may enter into more than one contract for each statewide
21 telecommunications product or service not provided by the primary contractor.

22 C. The director shall pay administrative costs of the
23 telecommunications program office and each office, department or other state
24 agency shall pay from available monies the proportionate cost of
25 administration of the office as determined by the director. In carrying out
26 this subsection, the director shall only employ those contract managers,
27 telephone operators, help desk personnel and forensic investigators required
28 to oversee the primary contract and administer efficiently the
29 telecommunications program office.

30 D. The department shall prepare and submit an annual consolidated
31 telecommunications budget report to the joint legislative budget committee in
32 connection with its annual budget request showing the previous fiscal year's
33 actual payments and the next fiscal year's anticipated payments charged and
34 received by the primary contractor from state offices, departments and
35 agencies for telecommunications services.

36 E. All procurement pursuant to this section shall be as prescribed in
37 chapter 23 of this title unless otherwise provided by law.

38 F. Any contract involving the use of a state highway right-of-way is
39 subject to approval pursuant to sections 28-304, 28-363, 28-7045, 28-7048 and
40 28-7209.

41 G. THE STATE MINE INSPECTOR IS EXEMPT FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE
42 TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SECTION.